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MEMORANDUM FOR: Project Director

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: Deputy Project Director

SUBJECT

: Forthcoming Elimination of Systems I and III

- 1. The Project Director, at a staff meeting earlier this week, mentioned the possibility that Systems I and III will be supplanted in the field within two or three months by a new system known as System VI. It is my understanding that while System VI is a new piece of equipment it does employ certain electronic techniques which are a carry-over from the previous installations known as Systems I and III.
- 2. Is it reasonable to infer that elimination of these Systems and the substitution of a new piece of equipment will reduce, alter, or eliminate our present requirement for certain Remo-Wooldridge technicisms now in the field whose principle responsibilities are the support of Systems I and III. In the event cross-training in the new System can be accomplished in the field, I would assume that this method is preferable to the substitution of completely new personnel. However, if System VI contains new disciplines which make a period of in-plant training desirable, I expect that a cut-off date should be established for termination of Systems I and III in order that this training can be accomplished for the present personnel.
- 3. I would appreciate your reactions to this matter, together with any estimate you might have as to when the changeover might occur and what the disposition of the eight Systems VI is to be.

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